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Docket No. R97-1

### PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING SHORTENING THE TIME FOR RESPONSE

(November 12, 1997)

On November 10, 1997, the Commission received three pleadings from David B. Popkin: a Motion to Compel Responses to DBP/USPS Interrogatories; a Motion to Dismiss the United States Postal Service's Revised Attachments 1 and 2 to Supplemental Response to DBP/USPS-66[A]; and Follow-up Interrogatories of David B. Popkin to the United States Postal Service. The envelope in which these pleadings were mailed to the Commission is postmarked October 28, 1997.


Documents are considered filed on the date they are received by the Commission. Rule 9(a). The period for responses is measured from the date of filing. However, under the circumstances, the Postal Service is to respond to the motions within seven days of their actual receipt of Mr. Popkin's pleadings by the Postal Service, or by 12:00 Noon on November 14, 1997, whichever comes later. The follow-up interrogatories are to be answered or objected to as though they had been filed with the Commission on the date they were received by the Postal Service.

RULING

1. The Postal Service is to respond to the Motion to Compel Responses to DBP/USPS Interrogatories within seven days of its actual receipt, or by 12:00 Noon on November 14, 1997, whichever comes later.

2. The Postal Service is to respond to the Motion to Dismiss the United States Postal Service's Revised Attachments 1 and 2 to Supplemental Response to DBP/USPS-66[A] within seven days of its actual receipt, or by 12:00 Noon on November 14, 1997, whichever comes later.

3. The Postal Service is to respond to Follow-up Interrogatories of David B. Popkin to the United States Postal Service as though they had been filed with the Commission on the date they were received by the Postal Service.

  
Edward J. Gleiman  
Presiding Officer